Sanitized Copy Approved for Release 2010/05/20: CIA-RDP79T01819A000100040001-0 National SECRET 3 JULY 1979 Ç 25X1 **Photographic** 70 Interpretation Center IMAGERY INFORMATION REPORT BOULOGNE TANK ASSEMBLY PLANT **BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (S)** (S/WNINTEL) Boulogne Tank Assembly Plant, the production plant for the first indigenously produced tank in South America, was identified on photography of 25X1 25X1 in Buenos Aires, Argentina (Figure 1). According to a DoD report, the TAM (medium Argentine tank) is produced at Boulogne Tank Assembly Plant, and a portable 120mm mortar, self-propelled artillery, bridging equipment, and tank rescue vehicles will be produced there. (S/WNINTEL) The wall-secured facility consists of an assembly area, a vehicle test area, and two support areas. The assembly area includes a final assembly building with three adjacent administration buildings, seven subassembly buildings, five probable machine and tooling shops, and 19 storage/support buildings. The vehicle test area includes a vehicle test track, a snorkel pond, obstacles, and several inclines. The two support areas contain a total of 18 support buildings. Thirteen probable tank chassis were observed in the assembly area (Figure 2). 25X1 (S/WNINTEL) Imagery of revealed the presence of all the buildings at the plant, with the exception of the final assembly building and adjacent administration buildings; however, the footings for those buildings were observed. Also, the vehicle test area had not been constructed. (S) Comments and queries regarding this report are welcome. They may be directed to or Regional Analysis Division, Imagery Exploitation Group, NPIC, green extension REFERENCE 1. .DoD. IIR 6 804 5071 79. (U) Military Equipment-Assembly Plant for TAM Tanks Inaugurated, 15 May 79 (CONFIDENTIAL 25X1 * Extracted material is UNCLASSIFIED. GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES BE NO. 34-30-00S 058-34-00W 25X1 IDHS CATEGORY COUNTRY CODE 25X1 AR PHOTO MISSION(S) & DATE(S) 25X1

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